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In re Application of :
Hegde, et al. : DECISION GRANTING PETITION
Application No. 09/495,150 : UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)
Filed: January 31, 2000 :
Atty. Dkt. No.: 30019.103US01 :
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This decision is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed February 8, 2006.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned December 11, 2004 for failure to timely submit a proper reply to Notice of Allowance (Notice) mailed September 10, 2004. The Notice set a three month statutory period of time for reply. Notice of Abandonment was mailed February 28, 2005.

A grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) requires submission of: (1) the reply required to the outstanding Office action or notice, unless previously filed; (2) the petition fee as set forth in § 1.17(m); (3) a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to this paragraph was unintentional. The Director may require additional information where there is a question whether the delay was unintentional; and (4) any terminal disclaimer (and fee as set forth in § 1.20(d)) required pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(d).

The instant petition has been reviewed and found in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b). Accordingly, the failure to timely submit a proper reply to the Notice is accepted as having been unintentionally delayed.

This application is being forwarded to the Office of Patent Publication for further processing.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3205.

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